

Executive Registry
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21 January 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT : Replacement of Incumbent Chairman, COMIREX

1. Further to my memorandum on this subject dated 6 January, after consultation with DDI, DDS&T, D/DCI/NIPE and personally with Joe Carroll, I find a unanimous agreement that [ ] should be our selection.

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2. I understand there is now some question as to whether [ ] will retire on the first of March or continue through to the first of June as originally expected. In any case if you approve, we have our nominee and I would like your permission to take the necessary administrative actions through the USIB Secretariat.

Rufus L. Taylor  
Vice Admiral, U. S. Navy  
Deputy Director

cc: DDI  
DDS&T  
D/DCI/NIPE  
Exec. Sec., USIB

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[ ] who has been Chairman of the Committee on Imagery Requirements and Exploitation for almost four years is retiring from CIA on 30 June. Previous to that he has been Chairman of the Exchange Committee and the Critical Communications Committee.

On behalf of the Board I would like to express appreciation for the valuable and dedicated service he has performed for the intelligence community during his career dating back to World War II. In particular, he has done an outstanding job on reorganizing COMIREX to provide integrated intelligence guidance for both collection and exploitation of imagery. I want to commend him for his contribution to our intelligence effort and wish him every success in his future endeavours.

To succeed him as Chairman of COMIREX I propose, if there is no objection, to appoint [ ] who is well qualified for this post, having served as CIA member of the Committee for nearly two years.

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